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U.S. Food Export Showcase
Global Food & Style Expo
McCormick Place - Chicago, Illinois
April 27-29, 2008





PAVILION ORGANIZERS





# **EXTRA EXHIBITOR BENEFITS**

# at No Extra Charge







#### FOOD EXPORT ALLIANCE

At the service of Midwestern & Northeastern producers and processors of value-added food and agricultural products

The Food Export Alliance is a partnership between Food Export–Midwest and Food Export–Northeast, non-profit export associations whose primary functions are to develop export markets for U.S. food producers in 22 member states:

Midwest	Northeast
Illinois	Connecticut
Indiana	Delaware
Iowa	Maine
Kansas	Massachusetts
Michigan	New Hampshire
Minnesota	New Jersey
Missouri	New York
Nebraska	Pennsylvania
North Dakota	Rhode Island
Ohio	Vermont
South Dakota	

Wisconsin

#### FOOD EXPORT ALLIANCE PAVILION

Thanks to the joint initiative of the two regional trade groups, Food Export Association of the Midwest USA and Food Export USA-Northeast, Midwest and Northeast exporters will benefit from value-added services that will go a long way in making their participation in the U.S. Food Export Showcase (USFES) more effective.

Services exclusively offered to Food Export Alliance Pavilion Exhibitors free of charge as part of the all-inclusive participation package:

- ▶ Food Export Marketing Forum a series of education sessions to help exhibitors learn more about 20 international markets and the growing demand for American products.
- ▶ Meetings with Food Export Alliance international marketing representatives from over 20 markets around the world to gain insight into opportunities for food and agricultural products in their markets.
- ▶ Comprehensivelcost effective booth package in the U.S. Food Export Showcase section of the Global Food & Style Expo a turnkey booth package exclusive to the Food Export Alliance Pavilion that will greatly simplify the exhibiting process.
- ▶ Networking with Food Export Alliance and State Agricultural Promotion Agencies staff to gain knowledge about export programs and services to help exhibitors succeed internationally.

Never have
MIDWEST & NORTHEAST EXPORTERS
had a better offer to exhibit
within the U.S. Food Export Showcase!



Exhibitors will have the opportunity to register for one-on-one meetings with pre-screened, qualified importers to obtain sales leads and valuable feedback from importers/buyers about the potential for exhibitors' products in their country.

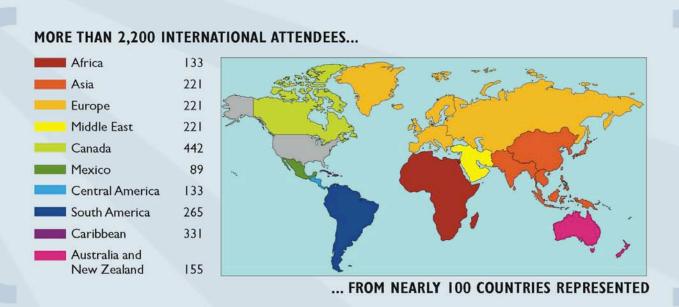


# Global food buyers at your doorstep!

#### A Vital Step for Any U.S. Food Exporter

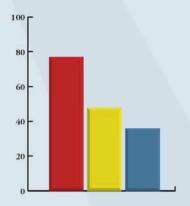
The Food Export Alliance Pavilion will be part of the U.S. Food Export Showcase, organized by the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA). The U.S. Food Export Showcase has become the single most important annual trade show event in the United States for U.S. food and agricultural exporters, attracting qualified global buyers to Chicago every year since 1997.

After co-locating their individual events for years in Chicago, NASDA along with the National Association for the Specialty Food Trade (NASFT) and the Organic Trade Association (OTA) will host the "Global Food and Style Expo" from April 27-29, 2008, thus creating one of North America's largest food-focused events.



#### **DIVERSIFIED BUYERS**

77% Supermarket / Retail Sales 48% Restaurants / Institutional 36% Foodservice & Retail



#### INTERNATIONAL ATTENDEE JOB FUNCTIONS





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# **FOOD EXPORT ALLIANCE PAVILION**

Chicago

Participation in the Food Export Alliance Pavilion in the U.S. Food Export Showcase at the Global Food & Style Expo 2008 offers you the prestige and visibility of exhibiting with other companies from the Midwest and Northeast while keeping your own identity ... your individual booth with a cost-effective, complete service package and "one-stop shop" for logistics.

# Exclusive Services & Amenities For All Food Export Alliance Pavilion Participants:

- Prime exhibit location on show floor
- Attractive Food Export Alliance identification (and additiona state identification participating as a group) – focal point for international importers and brokers
- Extra marketing support services including promotion to importers and on-going market assistance during the show (see list of extra benefits on inside cover page)
- Welcome Desk and Service Information Counter
- ▶ Private Matchmaking/Meeting Area
- Presentation Area with Seminars and Educational Sessions
- Professional guidance and total logistical coordination from IMEX Management staff

#### **BOOTH PACKAGE (100 SF)**

- upgraded fascia with company name
- wall-to-wall carpeting with padding
- back and side hard partition walls
- ▶ 3 spotlights
- ▶ 1 120-volt/500 watt outlet
- ▶ I demonstration counter with storage
- 3 wall shelves (1 meter long each)
- I wastebasket
- daily booth cleaning

#### **Booth Cost:**

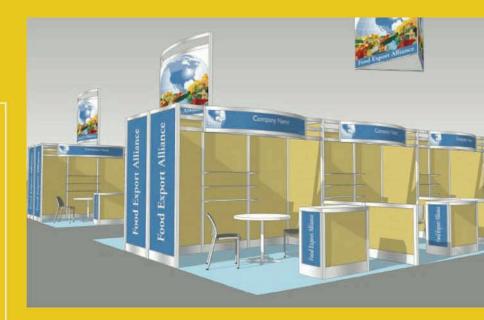
up to December 5, 2007: \$2,700.00\* after December 5, 2007: \$3,000.00

#### \* Note:

Food Export Alliance Pavilion Exhibitors pay the same price as USFES exhibitors but receive more benefits (see above). Eligible companies may receive 50% reimbursement with the Branded Program

#### Standard USFES Services:

- Pre-show worldwide promotion via free web listing on USFES website www.nasdatradeshows.org, and listing in USFES show magazine mailed prior to show dates and distributed on-site
- International Export & Promotion Guide containing valuable information about optimizing your participation and sources of export assistance available
- ▶ Attendee registration list with complete buyer information
- Access to International Trade Center, offering business and translation services with interpreters adjacent to USFES exhibit floor
- One individual entry in official USFES Directory
- Press assistance from communication experts
- ▶ Lead retrieval system
- ▶ Exhibitor badges











#### Dear Exhibitor:

Food Export-Midwest and Food Export-Northeast look forward to welcoming you to our Food Export Alliance Pavilion premiering at the 2008 U.S. Food Export Showcase, being held in Chicago, Illinois, on April 27-29, 2008.

Now part of the Global Food and Style Expo, this event continues to provide a forum where you can meet buyers from around the world. Importers, retailers, and foodservice buyers seeking high-quality food products will take notice of a new focus on the Midwest and Northeast regions of the United States.

As part of the event, we are offering an enhanced set of services designed to help you maximize participation in the show and grow sales in international markets. Our unique program features meetings and education sessions with our in-market representatives from over 20 markets around the world. We have also simplified the exhibiting process for you by offering a comprehensive turnkey booth package with single-source logistic coordination.

And, in conjunction with this year's event, you'll have the opportunity to participate in a Buyer's Mission – one-on-one meetings with any pre-screened qualified importers who are interested in learning more about your product.

We hope you will take advantage of this excellent opportunity to learn more about the global marketplace and make connections with motivated buyers. Together with IMEX Management, we will do everything we can to ensure that your participation is a seamless and productive experience.

We look forward to seeing you in Chicago.

Sincerely,

Timothy F. Hamilton Executive Director

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